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Applicant : William W. Smith III, et al.  
Application No. : 09/684,010  
Filed : October 6, 2000  
Title : Online, Multi-Carrier, Multi-Service Parcel Shipping  
Management Functional Alignment of Computer Devices  
Grp./Div. : 3629  
Examiner : Edward R. Cosimano  
Docket No. : PSTM0002/MRK

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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1. FY 2005 Fee Transmittal;
2. Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and 10 cited references and documents;
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005

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1001	790	2001	395			Utility filing fee	
1002	340	2002	175			Design filing fee	
1003	550	2003	275			Plant filing fee	
1004	790	2004	395			Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80			Provisional filing fee	

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### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	21	31**	0	X	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	6	6**	1	X	88	0.00
Multiple Dependent						0.00

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1202	18	2202	9			Claims in excess of 20
1201	88	2201	44			Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	300	2203	150			Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	88	2204	44			**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9			**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1051	130	2051	65			Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25			Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130			Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520			For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55			Extension for reply within first month	
1252	430	2252	215			Extension for reply within second month	
1253	980	2253	490			Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,530	2254	765			Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,080	2255	1,040			Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	340	2401	170			Notice of Appeal	
1402	340	2402	170			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	300	2403	150			Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510			Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55			Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,370	2453	685			Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,370	2501	685			Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	490	2502	245			Design issue fee	
1503	680	2503	330			Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130			Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50			Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180			Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	180.00
8021	40	8021	40			Recording each patent assignment per property (lines number of properties)	
1809	790	2809	395			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	790	2810	395			For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	790	2801	395			Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900			Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

**37 CFR § 1.97(c)**

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**Section 1: Preliminary Statements:**

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and in accordance with the provisions in the manual of patent examining procedure §§ 609 and 707.05(B), enclosed is Form PTO-1449 listing references that are known to applicant. Copies of each of the listed references and documents are enclosed. This filing is made during one of the periods described in 37 CFR § 1.97(c); the fee set forth in § 1.17(p) is included herewith.

Many of the references listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 were cited in Office Actions issued for co-pending patent applications that are commonly assigned to the assignees of the above-referenced U.S. patent application. Also listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 are Office Actions issued for co-pending patent applications that are commonly assigned to the assignees of the above-referenced U.S. patent application.

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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references and documents be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be entered in the application file and returned to Applicant with the next communication from the office in accordance with MPEP §609.

Section 2. FORM 1449

A list of patents and publications is set forth on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted,

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)			
	1.	5,491,637	A	Kraemer et al.	02-1996	Throughout
	2.	6,009,416	A	Pintsov	12/1999	Throughout
	3.	6,105,014	A	Ramsden et al.	08-2000	Throughout
	4.	6,263,317	B1	Sharp et al.	07-2001	Throughout

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## OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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	5.	The Gale Group, "A 'Blue Chip' Mailroom Investment", Modern Office Technology, August 1984, Pg. 98., vol. 29	
	6.	Examiner Edward R. Cosimano, Art Unit 3629, United States Patent Office, Office Action dated January 13, 2004 for Bennett, et al.; Reporting Shipping Rates and Delivery Schedules For Multiple Services and Multiple Carriers; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/684,869 (Attorney Docket No. PSTM0009/MRK); filed October 6, 2000	
	7.	Examiner Akiba K. Robinson Boyce, Art Unit 3623, United States Patent Office, Office Action dated July 19, 2004 for Bennett, et al.; Apparatus, Systems and Methods for Online, Multi-Carrier, Multi-Service Parcel Shipping Management Featuring Delivery Service Option Comparison for Multiple Carriers; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/680,649 (Attorney Docket No. PSTM0012/MRK); filed October 6, 2000	
	8.	Examiner Beth Van Doren, Art Unit 3623, United States Patent Office, Office Action dated September 13, 2004 for Bilbin, et al.; Apparatus, Systems and Methods for Determining Delivery Time Schedules for Each of Multiple Carriers; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/684,861 (Attorney Docket No. PSTM0024/MRK); filed October 6, 2000	
	9.	Examiner Jamisue Webb, Art Unit 3629, United States Patent Office, Office Action dated July 6, 2004 for Sean Hu, et al.; Apparatus, Systems and Methods for Printing Dimensionally Accurate Symbolologies on Laser Printers Configured with Remote Client Computer Devices; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/684,152 (Atty. Docket No. PSTM0034); filed October 6, 2000	
	10.	Examiner Edward R. Cosimano, Art Unit 3629, United States Patent Office, Office Action dated March 11, 2004 for Bennett, et al.; Apparatus, Systems and Methods for Online, Multi-Carrier, Multi-Service Parcel Shipping Management; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/684,866 (Attorney Docket No. PSTM0038/MRK); filed October 6, 2000	

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